

Public Participation Opportunities

Burlington Environmental and Ecology have initiated a public review process to obtain public comment, ideas, and suggestions regarding issuance of a final (Part B) permit for the Pier 91 Facility. Contact Doug Brown at Ecology at (206) 459-6993 for more information on submitting written comments on the draft permit. Public comments may be submitted to the agency until July 13, 1992.

Copies of the draft permit, permit application, and administrative record are available for public review at these locations,
Monday through Friday,
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.:

Washington Dept. of Ecology
Hazardous Waste Permits Section
4224 - 6th Avenue
Rowesix Building 4
Lacey, Washington 98503

U.S. Environmental
Protection Agency
10th Floor Library
1200 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98101

The current public review process covers portions of the final permit overseen by Ecology. This represents a majority of the final permit. At a later date, EPA will initiate a separate public review process for permit conditions which EPA is authorized to oversee, including Corrective Action measures

to address soil and groundwater contamination at the site.

To obtain additional information on Burlington Environmental operations, the Pier 91 Facility Part B Permit application, or the Corrective Action Program, citizens are encouraged to contact:
Kate Tate, Investor/Public Relations Manager, Burlington Environmental
Seattle, WA (206) 223-0500.

Burlington Environmental Inc., is a diversified environmental service firm offering hazardous waste management, environmental engineering and exploration services to commercial, industrial, and governmental customers throughout the United States.



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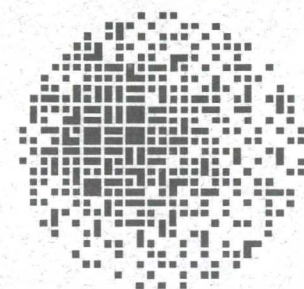
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PUBLIC INPUT REQUESTED ON PIER 91 FACILITY RCRA PART B PERMIT

Introduction

Burlington Environmental Inc. has been working with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) to complete the final (Part B) permit process to upgrade its hazardous waste treatment facility at Pier 91 at the Port of Seattle, Washington. The company formerly operated the facility as Chemical Processors Inc. (Chempro).

Burlington Environmental is currently authorized by state and federal agencies to operate the Pier 91 Facility under an interim status permit. The final (Part B) permit application for the facility contains detailed information about waste management activities conducted at the facility, and planned changes to operations there.

The final permit, issued under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), will authorize Burlington Environmental to continue waste management activities at the site, upgrade the design of waste management areas on-site, and continue stringent recordkeeping and reporting activities for materials handled on-site. **The company does not propose to expand waste management areas beyond the existing 4-acre site. There is no final disposal of waste at this facility. Proposed upgrades will reduce the size of the regulated waste handling area.**

For over 20 years, the Pier 91 Facility has operated safely to ensure that hazardous wastes are

managed appropriately and in compliance with strict guidelines established by federal, state, and local agencies. Issuance of the final (Part B) permit for the facility will authorize Burlington Environmental to finance the required upgrades to ensure a cleaner environment through responsible waste reduction, recycling, and management. Burlington Environmental, EPA, and Ecology welcome public comment and suggestions on the Pier 91 Facility's RCRA Part B permit. Public comment procedures are described on the back page.

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Contributing to a Cleaner Environment

Burlington Environmental Inc. provides environmental services and products for responsible waste management. Since 1971, Burlington Environmental has operated the facility to manage hazardous waste and waste petroleum products generated by industry and commercial businesses. The facility is permitted for such operation and is zoned by the City of Seattle for general industrial use.

Wastes handled at the Pier 91 Facility are treated and stored in tanks. Waste materials managed at the Pier 91 Facility include oil and coolant wastes, industrial wastewaters, and industrial waste sludges. Treatment processes at

the facility allow for beneficial reuse of waste oils and oils recovered from coolants, and ultimately reduce the amount of hazardous waste destined for final disposal at off-site hazardous waste landfills and incinerators.

Protecting Public Health and the Environment

Burlington Environmental operates the Pier 91 Facility in compliance with stringently enforced federal, state, and local regulations designed to protect human health and the environment.

Many agencies regulate the company's operations at Pier 91, including the EPA, Ecology, the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA),

the Seattle Fire Department, U.S. Coast Guard, Washington Department of Labor and Industries, Puget Sound Air Pollution Control Agency (PSAPCA), and the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (METRO).

Burlington Environmental operates the Pier 91 Facility using safe waste handling procedures to ensure responsible waste management practices and to protect employees and the community. These procedures include:

- identification through analysis, testing, or screening of all wastes prior to acceptance on-site;
- engineering testing and certifications of all tanks, and equipment which handle hazardous waste;
- use of containment structures and sumps to segregate wastes and contain potential spills;
- daily inspection of all tanks and waste handling areas to ensure safe storage and regulatory compliance;
- full-scale contingency plans for quick and effective response if emergency situations arise; and,

Protecting the Environment ...

A way of life at Burlington Environmental

In recognition of pioneering efforts to offer free weekly household hazardous waste collection events at its treatment facilities, Washington State Governor Booth Gardner presented the company an Environmental Excellence Award for "voluntary efforts to maintain and enhance environmental quality in the State of Washington".

In 1989, Burlington Environmental initiated the popular Small Quantity Generator Programs at two of its facilities. This program encourages small businesses, such as paint contractors or furniture refinishers who generate small quantities of hazardous wastes, to deliver waste for safe recycling and management.

■ comprehensive employee training which includes introductory, job-specific, and continuing training programs to give facility employees a solid background and continuing knowledge of regulatory requirements and safety procedures.

Burlington Environmental has also been working with EPA and Ecology on a Corrective Action Program to correct soil and

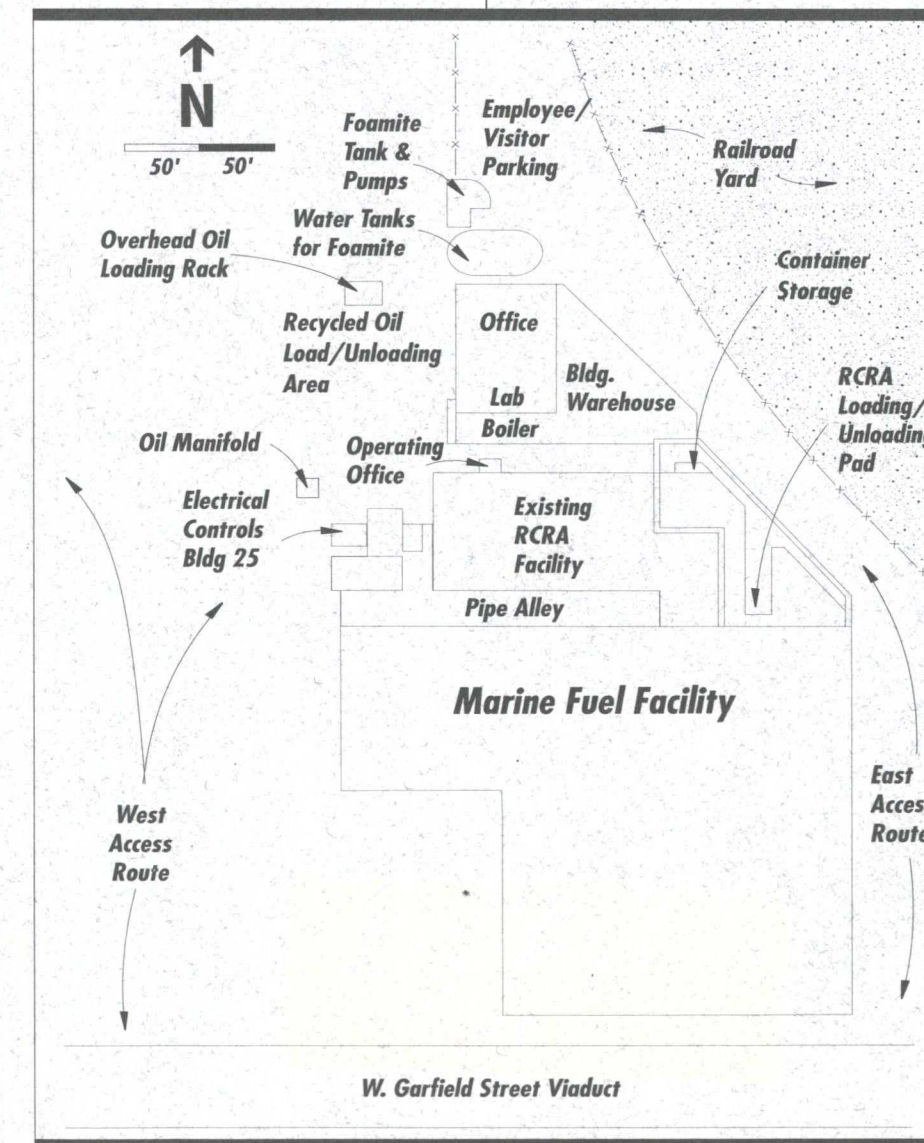
groundwater contamination resulting from past industrial activities at the Pier 91 Facility site, much of which predated Burlington Environmental activities. Since 1987, the company has been working to investigate and characterize contamination at the site. This information will be used to determine the best measures for site cleanup and continuing safe operation of the facility.

Proposed Facility Operations

The Pier 91 Facility permit application describes plans to continue the upgrade and modernization of waste management areas on-site. Chief among these changes are the following projects:

- install additional air emission controls for tanks and treatment areas;
- construct an additional truck loading/unloading pad and an area for temporary storage of containers.

The permit application also discusses site security, traffic patterns, waste handling and analysis, facility design and engineering, inspection schedules, emergency response procedures, employee training, recordkeeping and reporting requirements, closure plans and cost estimates, and liability insurance. These programs are already in place under interim status, but receive additional agency and public review through the final (Part B) permit process.



Pier 91 Facility